

HISTORIC PRESERVATION NEWS AND NOTES from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
SC Department of Archives and History (SCDAH)
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State Board of Review Approves Two Nominations

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places met on Friday, November 21, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia and approved the following nominations:

- Standard Oil Company Headquarters, Charleston
- Federal Land Bank, Columbia

These nominations will be forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service in Washington, DC who makes the final decision about listing the property in the National Register. For more information about the program and staff contacts see <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/default.aspx>.

FY 2015 Federal Grant Applications: Due February 6, 2015

Applications and instructions for the 2015 Historic Preservation Fund matching grants are now available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. Two types of projects are eligible, survey and planning, and stabilization (only for projects located in one of SC's [Certified Local Government \(CLG\) communities](#)). **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 6, 2015.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or sauls@scdah.state.sc.us to discuss your project before you apply.

Propose a Session for South Carolina's 2015 Preservation Conference

We are accepting proposals for education sessions at the 2015 Historic Preservation Conference, which will be held April 23, 2015 in Columbia. Sessions can cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from "Preservation 101" to advanced discussions of exceptional, cutting-edge issues. Sessions should highlight models and strategies that conference attendees can apply in their own communities. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. **Proposals are due February 2, 2015.** Any questions, please contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6168.

Your Ideas Needed for Preservation50

Historic preservationists are preparing for Preservation50 - a nationwide campaign to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966. Be part of the planning process and complete a [survey](#) to share ideas on how best to celebrate the 50th anniversary of NHPA in 2016 and ensure its continued legacy. Also check out the recently launched Preservation50 website at <http://preservation50.org/>.

National Main Street Program Celebrates 35 Years

Check out the special edition of [Main Street Now!](#) with articles about downtown revitalization strategies from Patrice Frey, Donovan Rypkema, Kennedy Smith, Mary Means, Fred Kent, and Gary Toth. Learn about the Four Point Approach and how to use this framework to effectively address 21st-century revitalization challenges. Hear how Main Street approached has been the single most effective downtown revitalization program in the country. Learn why some Main Streets thrive while others struggle to survive, with five ways Main Street programs can position their districts to achieve long-term economic success. Examine connections between placemaking and Main Street to can create "destination downtowns" that invite people to gather as a community.

Revolving Funds Impact

Learn more about how revolving funds are used in historic preservation. Students at the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD), with the support of the 1772 Foundation, produced a short video showing how the funds have worked around the country. See <http://youtu.be/3Jo9PEY1h20>. SCAD also produced a written report that showed that since these funds began, nearly 5 million square feet of usable space has been saved and reactivated—generating more than \$3 million in property tax revenue. See http://blog.preservationleadershipforum.org/2014/11/18/the-revolving-fund/#.VlcSr_ko6os.

2015 Schedules for Section 106 Workshops and Webinars

Section 106 Training Courses: The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has posted the 2015 dates and locations for their “**Section 106 Essentials**” and “**Advanced Seminar**” courses. Visit <http://www.achp.gov/106select.html> for more details. For registration, hotel/travel information, and other frequently asked questions, contact Cindy Bienvenue at cbienvenue@achp.gov, 202-517-0202.

Section 106 Webinars: Registration is also open for the Advisory Council’s next Section 106 Webinar Series. A new program on how agencies meet their historic preservation responsibilities for the disposal of federal property highlights this winter’s course schedule. A complete list of course dates, program descriptions, and registration instructions is at www.achp.gov/sec106webinar.html. ACHP staff instructors lead these hour-long interactive learning experiences about current topics in Section 106 review of interest to all knowledge levels. A small group format of 25 participants allows for student collaboration with colleagues and the instructor. Questions? E-mail webinar@achp.gov.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

NEW Annual Conference on South Carolina Archaeology, February 8, 2015, Columbia, SC. This year’s conference will focus on the Yamasee War as we commemorate the war’s 300th year anniversary. The conference will also feature a general session on South Carolina archaeology. Visit <http://www.assc.net/events/annual-conference> for more information.

NEW Engineering for Historic Timber Framing Workshop, February 9-12, 2015, Natchitoches, LA. The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training is partnering with the Preservation Trades Network, the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches, and the Friends of NCPTT on this workshop investigating the engineering issues facing historic timber structures. For more information go to <http://ncptt.nps.gov/events/engineering-for-historic-timber-framing-workshop>.

NEW Preservation Advocacy Day, March 1-4, 2015, Washington, DC. Information will be posted on <http://www.preservationaction.org/>.

South Carolina Federation of Museums Annual Conference, March 11 – 13, 2015, Florence. This year’s conference will focus on how museums are moving forward and expanding through new construction, technology, programs and partnerships. Visit <http://www.southcarolinamuseums.org/conference> for more information.

National Main Streets Conference, March 30 – April 2, 2015, Atlanta, GA. With the theme “TEAM Main Street: Teamwork and Entrepreneurship across Main Street” the

conference will focus on bringing partners together to foster new ideas for building economic, financial, and business development successes. [For the latest news and information, sign up for conference email alerts.](#)

Landmarks Conference, April 9 – 11, 2015. More information will be posted on the Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical Societies webpage <http://www.palmettohistory.org/confederation/>.

NEW National Council on Public History Annual Conference, April 15-18, 2015, Nashville, Tennessee. This year's conference is organized around the theme of "History on the Edge" and will offer a program of sessions, tours, working groups, keynote addresses, and workshops. Visit <http://ncph.org/cms/conferences/2015-annual-meeting/> for more information and to read the full conference program.

Mid Century Modern Structures: Materials and Preservation 2015 Symposium, April 13-16, 2015, St. Louis, MO. Focusing primarily on the history, use, and preservation of materials found in Mid-Century modern architecture, the 2015 three-day symposium will provide in-depth understanding of the complex issues associated with the preservation of these structures. For more information and to register see <http://ncptt.nps.gov/events/mid-century-modern-structures-2/>.

South Carolina's Historic Preservation Conference, April 23, 2015, Columbia. Proposals for educational sessions will be accepted until February 2, 2015. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. To sign up to receive the conference registration brochure please contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6168.

National Rosenwald Schools Conference: Sharing the Past Shaping the Future, June 17-19, 2015, Durham, NC. The second national Rosenwald schools conference will feature 30 educational sessions, poster sessions, field sessions at area schools, and other thematic tours. To receive conference updates email Rosenwald@savingplaces.org with your contact information or call 843-722-8552.

Grant Application Deadlines

Wednesday, January 14, 2015: Humanities Council^{SC}'s Major Grants. Major Grants (\$2000 - \$8000) support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline listed below. For more information visit <http://schumanities.org/grants/> or contact T.J. Wallace at tjwallace@schumanities.org.

January 16, 2015: American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Preservation Grants. Non-profit groups, academic institutions, and local, regional,

state, and tribal governments are invited to apply for grants for eligible projects: archaeology, cultural landscape inventories, cultural resource documentation, GIS mapping, National Register nominations, and preservation plans. Project funding ranges from \$5,000 to \$75,000. Matching funds or in-kind services for the projects are encouraged but not required. The application form and complete guidelines are available at <http://www.nps.gov/abpp/grants/battlefieldgrants/2015grants.html>.

NEW February 2, 2015: National Trust Preservation Funds. These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. The grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. Grants generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. Only members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply for funding from the National Trust Preservation Fund. To learn more about the grant program and how to apply go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>.

February 6, 2015: Federal Historic Preservation Grants. Administered by the SHPO, these grants can assist two types of projects: (1) Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning; (2) Stabilization Projects—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather (only for projects in Certified Local Government (CLG) communities). Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Federal Historic Preservation Grant. At least 10% of the state's annual grant from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. As funding is available after the required CLG minimum is met, then non-CLG projects may also be selected for funding. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The 2015 application is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. For additional information or to discuss a potential project contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, sauls@scdah.state.sc.us.

Online sources of grant information:

[National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) Finding Preservation Funding
[Preservation Directory](#) Grants and Funding Resources
[State Library](#) Grants Research Assistance
[SC Grantmakers Network](#)
[Federal grants](#) Grants.gov
[Foundation Center](#) Foundation Directory Online

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